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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
TAX POLICY

Wednesday, September 21, 2016 10:30 a.m. Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jeff Farrington.

Members present: Representatives Farrington, Maturen, Somerville, Yonker, Howrylak, Chatfield, Glenn, Iden, Webber, Clemente, LaVoy, and Byrd.

Members absent/excused: Representative Townsend.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the minutes from the Wednesday, September 14, meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Representative Maturen moved to excuse the absent member.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 5765:

HB 5765 (Iden)	Property tax; tax tribunal; tribunal procedures; revise, and provide other general amendments.
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Representative Iden introduced the bill to the committee.

Jason Puscas, representing the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Carolee Kvoriak Smith, representing Consumers Energy, testified in support of HB 5765.

Questions and discussion followed.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, and Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League testified with concerns about HB 5765.

Ruth Scott and Mickey Knight, representing the Michigan Assessors Association, testified with a neutral position on HB 5765.

Greg Gursky, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified with a neutral position on HB 5765.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of HB 5765, but did not wish to speak:

John Lindley, representing the Michigan Association of CPAS.
Andrea Crumback, representing herself.
Greg Nowak, representing himself.
Tricia Kinley, representing the Michigan Chamber of Commerce.
Jack Panitrk, representing himself.

Brad Ward, representing the Michigan Realtors, submitted a testimony card with a neutral position on HB 5765, but did not wish to speak.

Allie Bush, representing the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce, submitted a testimony card with a neutral position on HB 5765, but did not wish to speak.

Jack Van Coevering, representing himself, submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5765, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 5824 and HB 5825:

HB 5824 (Glardon)	Sales tax; exemptions; tax exemption for county long-term medical care facilities; clarify.
HB 5825 (Glardon)	Use tax; exemptions; tax exemption for county long-term medical care facilities; clarify.

Representative Glardon introduced his bills to the committee.

Renee Beniak, representing the County Medical Care Facility Council, and Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, testified in support of HB 5824 and HB 5825.

Questions and discussion followed.

Greg Gursky, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, testified with a neutral position on HB 5824 and HB 5825.

The following people submitted a testimony card in opposition to HB 5824 and HB 5825, but did not wish to speak:

Christina Canfield, representing the Michigan Education Association.
Bob Kefgen, representing the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.
Jennifer Smith, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.
Lisa Hansknecht, representing Oakland Schools.
Brad Biladeau, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Annahsa Grunwald, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators.

Jerry Johnson, representing Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Jackson, Lenawee, and Monroe County Intermediate School Districts.

Emily Laidlaw, representing the ESA Legislative Group.

David Zuhlke, representing the Middle Cities Education Association.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:32 a.m.

Representative Jeff Farrington, Chair

Kevin Gawronski
Committee Clerk
September 21, 2016
1 hour 2 minutes

Date Approved and Signed